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The outcome of Interference No. 105092 (Patent number 6,437,064) has a material bearing on the patentability of the claims in this application. Prosecution in this application is **SUSPENDED FOR A PERIOD OF 6 MONTHS** from the mailing date of this letter. Upon suspension or termination of the interference, whichever is earlier, applicant should make an inquiry as to the status of the application.

The applicants' terminal disclaimers have been reviewed and accepted. These overcome the the outstanding rejections.

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